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**System and Method for Autonomic Wireless Presence Ping**

the specification of which (check one)

is attached hereto.

☒ was filed on December 24, 2003  
☒ as Application Serial No. 10/747,705  
and was amended on \_\_\_\_\_ (if applicable).

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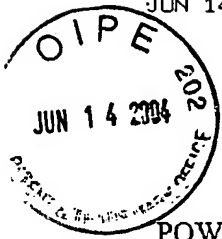
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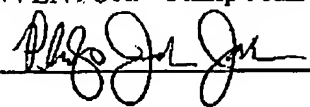
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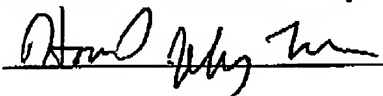
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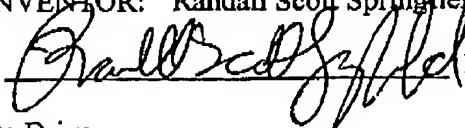
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